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Emergency Preparedness Community Event planned for June 23, 2012

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (June 15, 2012) – The Woodlands Township is hosting an Emergency Preparedness Community Event for residents and businesses in The Woodlands on Saturday, June 23, 2012, at The Woodlands Township Town Hall, 2801 Technology Forest Boulevard from 9 a.m. to noon. Attendees should use the west entrance.

"An important piece of any emergency plan is working together and utilizing all of your resources," says Township Law Enforcement Director Marian Leck. "Don't wait to get to know your neighbor!"

Multiple agencies have been invited to share what they do during a hurricane or other emergency. The event will be indoors and residents are welcome to stop by any time to speak to agency representatives. The Woodlands Township will provide important *Get Ready* information from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and also *How to Stay Informed in an Emergency* for The Woodlands. Attendees may view *Are You Ready?*, the Houston Regional Disaster Preparedness DVD, beginning every half hour.

"I have always said the true first responders are our citizens," states The Woodlands Fire Department Chief Alan B. Benson. "The better they can prepare and sustain, the quicker we can restore our community back to normal."

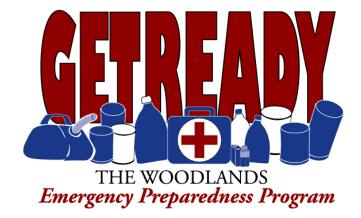
Participants may include The Woodlands Fire Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Harris County Constable's Office Precinct #4, Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management, Harris County Homeland Security & Emergency Management, The Woodlands Community Emergency Response Team, Montgomery County Hospital District/Medical Reserve Corps, Interfaith of The Woodlands, National Weather Service, Entergy Texas, Inc., CenterPoint Energy, Montgomery County Search and Rescue, The Woodlands Amateur Radio Club, Amateur Emergency Radio Service (ARES), American Red Cross, Montgomery County United Way/MC-CARES/HelpOurCounty.org and H-E-B/Indian Springs.

For further information, please contact The Woodlands Township, Neighborhood Services Department, at 281-210-3800 or neighbor@thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov, or visit www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov.

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